

MISSOURI TEACHERS FLOCK TO ST. LOUIS TO DISCUSS EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS.



MOBERLY LADY TEACHERS WHO WILL ATTEND THE CONVENTION. Those in the picture reading from left to right are: Lower row, Miss Lizzie Terrill, Miss Lulu Hicks, Miss Clay Rutherford and Miss Pearl Ross. Upper row, Misses Rebecca Hall and Marguerite Buchanan.



FIVE PROMINENT MISSOURI EDUCATORS. Those in the picture, reading from left to right, are: L. W. Hood, Carthersville; T. E. Spencer, St. Louis; B. G. Shackelford, Marshall; J. A. Whiteford of Moberly, president of the association; and Doctor J. A. Thompson of Tarkio.

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WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DISASTER?

Operator Carson Says Order to Detain Train Was Canceled by Superior.

WROTE "BUSTED" ON MESSAGE.

Makes First Statement—Chief Dispatcher Has No Record of Canceling Order—Inquest Will Begin To-Day.

London, Ontario, Dec. 28.—There were no deaths to-day among the persons injured in Friday night's collision at Waukegan on the Grand Trunk Railroad between Pacific Express No. 2, west-bound, and an eastbound freight, in which twenty-eight persons lost their lives.

A train order without sending a substitute for it, but said that the dispatcher was the superior officer and he declined to question his order or dispute his authority to take the train.

Operator Carson's order book in the local Grand Trunk office does not show that the order was "busted," or canceled, as Carson claims.

According to the book, it was still in force and should have been delivered to the conductor of the express. Kerr has not made any statement, even to the railroad officials, and will not until he takes the stand at the inquest.

Division Superintendent George G. Jones of Toronto says that this rule against canceling "busted" train orders is the strictest in the company's code.

"I do not believe," he said to-night, "that it has been violated since the standard dispatching rules went into effect. Dispatcher Kerr is one of the best and most efficient dispatchers in our service. He is the operator who accompanied the train bearing the Duke and Duchess of York on the royal tour of Canada a year ago. I have every confidence in him."

Other Grand Trunk officials who were present also expressed their confidence in Kerr.

Chamber Doctor Harvey of Lambton County will begin the inquest at Wyoming to-morrow.

TRIBUNE OFFERS QUARTERS.

Will Accommodate Newspaper Men During Legislature Sitting.

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THE INFUX OF OUT-OF-TOWN TEACHERS.

books can be drawn if the pupils are unable to pay. "In my twenty years' experience I have never known it necessary to draw on the money. Some changes in the textbooks probably will be necessary, as it is a mighty strong book which remains abreast of the times after five years' use."

Many of the teachers said that they were familiar with the circumstances under which the organization of Chicago teachers evolved into what is practically a union, and laughed at such an idea for Missouri. T. St. Johnson, a son of former Governor Walden P. Johnson and president of the Osceola School Board, said that conditions in Missouri, or even the cities of Missouri, are in no wise similar to those which brought about the Chicago organization.

"Such a union, if you call it that," said Mr. Johnson, "would be looked upon as a move antagonistic to the supervisors of schools in county and State. In Chicago the teachers attacked corporate interests and were attacked in return. They acted in self-defense. Here the relations have always been good, and the teacher is paid as much as the district in which he or she teaches can afford. The salaries may not be uniformly as high as elsewhere—in Indiana, for instance, where I understand a minimum figure for any teacher in the lower grades has been placed at \$30 a month, at \$40 for certain higher grades, and so on. This could not be done as the law now exists in Missouri."

NO TEACHERS' UNION.

It is thought that the fifth amendment to the State Constitution, which passed last election, allowing St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph to tax at the rate of 60 cents on the hundred dollars for the benefit of the schools, should have been general throughout the State.

Major E. B. Johnson, president of the State Teachers' Association, said that the program to deliver a welcoming address on behalf of the city to the teachers when they assemble this morning at 9:30 o'clock in the High School at Grand and Finney avenues, Superintendent F. L. Seaman will follow with an address on behalf of the schools.

FREE TEXT-BOOKS.

The free text-book matter is another deemed worthy of consideration. It is a question upon which the organization is divided, some favoring the idea and others taking the opposite position. The sentiment is that the majority is opposed to it.

"Many of us think," said Lee W. Wood, superintendent of the Caruthersville schools, "that the additional expenditure to which the State would be put to provide free text-books would be more advantageously used in other ways. The present law seems to cover the point, as it provides an appropriation from which the cost of text-

FACTORIES, THE DEMAND AT ADVANCING PRICES.

factories, the demand at advancing prices must now go hand in hand with the supply. Beaumont oil is being used in the locomotives of the Southern Pacific, the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe, the Iron Mountain, the Kansas City Southern and the Missouri Pacific, which touch the Beaumont field; it is being used in manufacturing concerns in New York, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Providence and elsewhere; it is being used in the navy, and it is coming into commercial and domestic use all through the South, East and Middle West. A number of steamships are being equipped for its use, and its adoption, to some extent at least, by the United States Navy seems assured.

With the increased production which advancing prices will stimulate on the "hill" and the supplies which will be secured from adjacent territory, to which several of the Beaumont companies are now laying pipe lines, no fear is felt of a scarcity of oil, though, on the other hand, with the vastly increased and increasing facilities for handling the oil, there is no apprehension of a condition as prevalent in the earlier days of the field, either by purchase or pumping on shares. Prominent among such is the J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, the Texas Company, the Refinery (Gulf) Company, the Southwestern Oil and Steamship Company, Lone Star and Crescent Oil Company and National Oil and Pipe Line Company, all of which have

OTHER SHIPS, STORAGE TANKS, PIPE LINES.

other ships, storage tanks, pipe lines, compressed-air plants for pumping oil or other facilities for marketing the product of the field. And with oil selling at present prices there is a handsome profit for all the well-managed companies. Predictions are that the price will stick somewhere about 60 cents.

LEAD AND ZINC REPORT.

Effect of Exportation on the Market—Comparative Statistics.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Japan, Mo., Dec. 28.—The average tonnage of lead smelted by the smelters during 1902 is estimated at 1,170 tons per week. This estimate is based on the output of the largest smelters. The average sales from this district for the year were 5,040 tons per week, leaving an average of 1,170 tons per week to be supplied by other districts.

It has not been claimed by any of the smelters that there was over 1,000 tons of Western ore smelted per week, and a recent estimate placed at 800 tons per week. The fact that the smelters have been enabled to treat over 1,000 tons a week more since the opening of the smelters in this district is the best evidence of the growing demand for spelter, as it has been only a few years since the annual output of this district furnished more than enough to supply the local demand for lead metal.

With this condition apparent the producers of this district could see no reason for a decrease in the smelting of the price of zinc ore during November, consequent upon the smelting of the zinc ore to curtail the output two weeks during December and export at least 1,000 tons of ore to Europe.

SEVERAL CONVENTIONS OF PRODUCERS WERE

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